

REMARKS

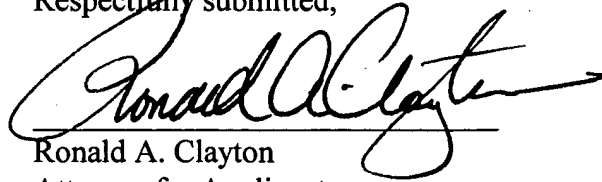
The present Amendment is supplemental to the Amendment And Petition For Extension Of Time filed on September 7, 2004. Claims 1-30, 34, and 66-70 are presented for examination, of which Claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 10 17, 18, 21, 23, 25, 26, 34, and 66-68 are in independent form. Claims 18-20 have been amended for typographical reasons, and in particular, the word "minimisation" has been amended to read --minimization--. The preamble of Claims 30 and 70 has been amended such that these claims are directed to a "A physically-embodied computer program product carrying computer program instructions . . .". The specification has also been amended to correct errors that were inadvertently entered in the substitute specification filed on September 7, 2004. Antecedent basis for these amendments is found in the original specification. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Claims 1-30, 34, and 66-70 are believed patentable for the reasons set forth in the Remarks section of the Amendment And Petition For Extension Of Time filed on September 7, 2004.

Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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